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### **Congressman John Lewis: Perfect Voting Record on Children's Issues**

Rep. John Lewis was named one of the "Best Representatives for Children" by the Children's Defense Fund Action Council based on his perfect voting score in the 2007 Nonpartisan Congressional Scorecard. Rep. Lewis voted to protect the health and well-being of the children in Georgia 100 percent of the time.

"I applaud Representative Lewis for his commitment to improving the lives of children in Georgia," said CDFAC President Marian Wright Edelman. "With 9.4 million uninsured children in America and nearly 13 million living in poverty, it is critical that we have Representatives committed to making children a priority. Representative Lewis is a dedicated advocate for children and has truly earned the distinction of being one of the best Representatives for children."

The 2007 Children's Defense Fund Action Council Nonpartisan Congressional Scorecard ranks every Member of Congress based on fundamental votes that affect children. This congressional scorecard specifically scores ten Senate votes and ten House votes which directly affect a range of issues in reference to children's lives. Congressman Lewis managed to achieve a distinct voting score by supporting all ten votes, which included budget, appropriations, child health, education and tax relief/minimum wage measures.

The CDFAC notifies the nation about children's needs and promotes preventive investment before children are faced with illness, trouble, problems with school or family issues. Moreover, the annual Nonpartisan Congressional Scorecard is a component of the CDFAC's public education, ongoing policy analysis and advocacy for children. For more information about the CDF Action Council and access to the Scorecard, visit their website at [www.cdfactioncouncil.org](http://www.cdfactioncouncil.org).

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